

Rain Forces Postponement of Principal Matches in Opening of National Championship Tennis Tournament

OLD VIM HELPS M'LOUGHLIN IN TENNIS VICTORY

Comet Outclasses McClave in Feature of Four Matches at Forest Hills.

JOHNSTON, GRIFFIN AND WHITNEY WIN

By DANIEL

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